The Honorable Robert S. Lasnik 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 9 AT SEATTLE 10 BRUCE CORKER d/b/a RANCHO ALOHA; et al. CASE NO. 2:19-cv-00290-RSL 11 Plaintiffs, PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO 12 FILE OVERLENGTH BRIEF IN 13 SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR v. SANCTIONS AGAINST DEFENDANT 14 COSTCO WHOLESALE CORPORATION, a MULVADI CORPORATION Washington corporation; et al. 15 Consideration Date: November 12, 2021 Defendants. 16 17 Plaintiffs request leave to file a 24-page brief in support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Sanctions 18 Against Defendant Mulvadi Corporation ("Mulvadi"), see Fed. R. Civ. P. 7(f), which will include 19 a request that the Court strike Mulvadi's Answer and enter an order of default. This is the first time 20 Plaintiffs have requested leave to file an overlength brief in this matter. 21 Plaintiffs brought this lawsuit against Mulvadi and twenty-one other Defendants, alleging 22 that Defendants falsely identified Kona as the source of their coffee in violation of the Lanham Act. 23 See Dkt. 381; 15 U.S.C. §1125. Most of the defendants have litigated in good faith and complied 24 with their discovery obligations. 25 26

Mulvadi has not. Over the past two years, Mulvadi has submitted perjured testimony, refused to cooperate in discovery, refused to follow the stipulated ESI Order, and has not complied with the Court's subsequent discovery orders. See Dkt. 248 (granting Plaintiffs' Motion to Compel Discovery); Dkt. 274 (denying Mulvadi's Motion for Reconsideration); Dkt. 487 (granting Plaintiffs' Second Motion to Compel Discovery and warning sanctions shall be imposed if Mulvadi fails to comply); Dkt. 523 (denying Mulvadi's Motion for Clarification and imposing sanctions). Mulvadi does, however, continue to sell and profit from its "100% Kona" products, even though these products do not appear to contain a meaningful amount of Kona coffee. See Dkt. 381 ¶¶ 13, 70-72, 136-39. The Court recently sanctioned Mulvadi for refusing to comply with its discovery order, see Dkt. 523, yet Mulvadi still has not complied with even that sanctions order.

Plaintiffs' Motion will seek entry of default and other sanctions for Mulvadi's discovery misconduct and repeated violations of the Court's unambiguous orders. While default is an extraordinary and harsh sanction, Plaintiffs' motion will show that this relief is necessary and appropriate because of Mulvadi's repeated misconduct. Plaintiffs seek leave to file this 24-page brief so that they may provide the Court a complete record of Mulvadi's misconduct, which includes perjury, multiple willful violations of the Court's Orders, disregard of the federal rules governing discovery, and repeated gamesmanship.

Because the Motion is potentially dispositive and given the gravity of the issues, consistent with the page limits for summary judgment motions, Plaintiffs request leave to file a 24-page brief.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE 1 I, Sherelyn Anderson, affirm and state that I am employed by Karr Tuttle Campbell in King 2 County, in the State of Washington. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action. My 3 business address is: 701 Fifth Avenue, Suite 3300, Seattle, Washington 98101. On this day, I caused 4 to be filed with the Court a true and correct copy of the foregoing via the Court's electronic filing 5 system, which caused service of the document to all parties registered to receive notifications 6 through CM/ECF. 7 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, to the best of my 8 knowledge. 9 Dated this 12th day of November 2021, at Seattle, Washington. 10 11 s/ Sherelyn Anderson Sherelyn Anderson 12 Litigation Legal Assistant 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26